CLAIMS

WHAT IS CLAIMED:

- 1 A method for use in developing a program, comprising compiling at least a portion of 2 a source code program defined by a waypoint during the editing of the source code program.
- 1 2. The method of claim 1, wherein compiling includes:
- identifying the waypoint in an edited source code during editing of the source code; and
- compiling the source code up to the identified waypoint before completing the edit of the source code.
- The method of claim 1, wherein identifying the waypoint includes one of identifying the waypoint from a static definition and identifying the waypoint from a dynamic definition.
- 1 4. The method claim 1, further comprising:
- identifying a second waypoint in the source code during editing of the source code; and
- compiling the source code from the first waypoint to the second waypoint before completing editing of the source code.
- 1 5. The method of claim 1, further comprising:
- 2 completing editing of the source code; and
- compiling the source code from the second waypoint to the end of the source code.
- 1 6. The method of claim 1, further comprising saving the edited source code.
- 7. The method of claim 1, further comprising compiling the source code from the waypoint to the end of the source code upon completing editing of the source code.
- 1 8. A method for use in developing a program, comprising:
- identifying a waypoint in an edited source code program during editing of the source code program; and
- compiling the source code program up to the identified waypoint before completing editing of the source code program.

- 9. The method of claim 8, wherein identifying the waypoint includes one of identifying the waypoint from a static definition and identifying the waypoint from a dynamic definition.
- 1 10. The method claim 8, further comprising:
- identifying a second waypoint in the edited source code program during editing of the source code program; and
- compiling the source code program from the first waypoint to the second waypoint before completing editing of the source code program.
- 1 11. The method of claim 8, further comprising compiling the source code program from
- the waypoint to the end of the source code program upon completing editing of the source
- 3 code program.
- 1 12. A method for modifying a compiler to engage in rapid compilation, comprising:
- identifying a file reader portion of the compiler; and
- modifying the identified file reader to read a portion of a source code program defined
 by a waypoint from a standard input open
- 1 13. The method of claim 12, wherein modifying the identified file reader to read from the
- standard input includes modifying the identified file reader to read from an open system call.
- 1 14. The method of claim 13, wherein modifying the identified file reader to read from the
- open system call includes modifying the identified file reader to read from a UNIX gcc
- 3 command.
- 1 15. The method of claim 12, wherein the waypoint is identified by one of identifying the
- 2 waypoint from a static definition and identifying the waypoint from a dynamic definition.
- 1 16. The method of claim 12, wherein the waypoint defines a lower bound of the portion
- of the source code program.
- 17. The method of claim 12, wherein the waypoint defines an upper bound of the portion
- of the source code program.
- 1 18. A method for suspending compiler execution prior to reaching the end of a source
- 2 code program, comprising:
- identifying a waypoint in the source code program;

- compiling a portion of the source code program whose lower bound is defined by the identified waypoint; and
- suspending compilation of the source code program once the portion whose lower bound is identified by the waypoint is compiled.
- 1 19. The method of claim 18, wherein the waypoint is identified by one of identifying the waypoint from a static definition and identifying the waypoint from a dynamic definition.
- 1 20. The method of claim 18, wherein suspending compilation of the source code program
- once the portion whose lower bound is identified by the waypoint is compiled includes at
- least one of removing a corresponding task from a work queue in an IDE, storing the
- 4 compiled code in a shadow location, and suppressing errors or warning.
- 1 21. The method of claim 18, wherein the upper bound of the portion is defined by the 2 start of the source code program or another waypoint.
- 1 22. A method for resuming compiler execution of a suspended compilation, comprising:
- triggering the compilation of a portion of a source code program whose upper bound is defined by an identified waypoint; and
- compiling the portion of the source code program whose upper bound is defined by the identified waypoint.
- 1 23. The method of claim 22, wherein triggering the compilation of the portion of the source code includes identifying the waypoint.
- 24. A method for identifying a command and associating it with a file that is being edited, comprising:
- modifying a file reader of a compiler to read from a standard input; and
- triggering the compilation of a portion of a source code program whose upper bound is defined by an identified waypoint;
- invoking the compiler to read the file from the modified file reader through the standard input.
- 1 25. The method of claim 24, wherein modifying the file reader to read from the standard input includes modifying the identified file reader to read from an open system call.

- 1 26. The method of claim 24, wherein modifying the file reader to read from the open
- system call includes modifying the identified file reader to read from a UNIX gcc command.
- 1 27. The method of claim 24, wherein triggering the compilation of the portion of the
- source code includes identifying the waypoint.
- 28. A method for building a source code program capable of suspending and resuming
- 2 compilation, comprising:
- identifying a waypoint in a source code program being edited;
- triggering a compilation of a portion of the source code program defined by the
- waypoint;
- compiling the portion of the source code program defined by the waypoint;
- suspending the compilation of the portion defined by the waypoint once the
- s compilation reaches the waypoint;
- triggering the compilation of the remainder of the source code program; and
- resuming the compilation of the source code program to compile the remainder.
- The method of claim 28, wherein the waypoint is identified by one of identifying the
- 2 waypoint from a static definition and identifying the waypoint from a dynamic definition.
- 1 30. The method of claim 28, wherein triggering the compilation of the portion of the
- 2 source code includes identifying the waypoint.
- 1 31. The method of claim 28, wherein suspending compilation of the source code program
- once the portion whose lower bound is identified by the waypoint is compiled includes at
- least one of removing a corresponding task from a work queue in an IDE, storing the
- 4 compiled code in a shadow location, and suppressing errors or warning.
- 1 32. The method of claim 28, wherein the upper bound of the portion is defined by the
- start of the source code program or another waypoint.
- 1 33. The method of claim 28, wherein triggering the compilation of the remainder of the
- 2 source code program includes identifying a second waypoint, saving the source code
- 3 program, or ending an editing session.

- 1 34. A method for using a UNIX standard input read mechanism for speculative compilation of a source code program, comprising:
- identifying a waypoint in an edited source code program during editing of the source code program; and
- invoking a compile of at least a portion of a source code program defined by a
 waypoint during the editing of the source code program with a UNIX input
 read mechanism.
- 1 35. The method of claim 34, wherein the portion comprises a portion of the source code 2 program defined by the start of the source code program and the waypoint.
- 1 36. The method of claim 34, wherein the portion comprises a portion of the source code 2 program defined by the waypoint and the end of the source code program.
- The method of claim 34, wherein the waypoint is identified by one of identifying the waypoint from a static definition and identifying the waypoint from a dynamic definition.
- 1 38. A method for managing the output of a compile, comprising:
- compiling at least a portion of a source code program defined by a waypoint during
 the editing of the source code program in a first phase;
- compiling the remainder of the source code program in a subsequent phase; and notifying a user of any errors that may have occurred during the compilation.
- The method of claim 38, wherein the portion comprises a portion of the source code program defined by the start of the source code program and the waypoint.
- 1 40. The method of claim 38, wherein the portion comprises a portion of the source code 2 program defined by the waypoint and the end of the source code program.
- 1 41. The method of claim 38, wherein the waypoint is identified by one of identifying the waypoint from a static definition and identifying the waypoint from a dynamic definition.
- 1 42. The method of claim 38, further comprising scrapping the compiled first and second portions.

- 1 43. The method of claim 42, wherein scrapping the compiled first and second portions
- 2 includes one of scrapping the compiled first and second portions responsive to the
- notification and scrapping the compiled first and second portions responsive to a user input.
- 1 44. A method for use in developing a program, comprising:
- identifying at least two or more instructions in a file to compile; and
- compiling the identified instructions while the file is being edited.
- 1 45. The method of claim 44, wherein the instructions are identified at a predetermined
- line number in the source code program, identifying the instructions at the point of insertion
- for a text editor, identifying the instructions after a predetermined number of branches as
- 4 conditionals, identifying the instructions at a predetermined text offset.
- 1 46. The method claim 44, further comprising:
- 2 identifying at least two more instructions in the file during editing; and
- compiling the second two or more instruction while the file is being edited.
- 1 47. The method of claim 44, further comprising:
- 2 completing editing of the file; and
- compiling the remainder of the edited file.
- 1 48. The method of claim 44, further comprising saving the edited file.
- 1 49. The method of claim 44, further comprising compiling the remainder of the edited file
- 2 upon completing editing of the file.
- 1 50. A method for compiling a source code program, comprising:
- 2 identifying an upper bound for a portion of the source code program to compile;
- identifying a lower bound for the portion; and
- compiling the portion defined by the upper and lower bounds during an editing
- session on the source code program.
- 1 51. The method of claim 50, wherein at least one of identifying the upper bound and
- 2 identifying the lower bound includes one of identifying the bound from a static definition and
- 3 identifying the bound from a dynamic definition.
- 1 52. The method claim 50, further comprising:

- identifying a third bound in the edited source code during editing of the source code;
 and
- compiling the source code from the lower bound to the third bound before completing editing of the source code.
- 1 53. The method of claim 50, further comprising compiling the source code from the lower
- bound to the end of the source code upon completing editing of the source code.